ROCKPORT COMMON COUNCIL AUGUST 4, 2015 6:00PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Connie Hargis, Ferman Yearby, Carol Huff, Chris Brown, Mayor Harold Goffinet, Clerk-Treasurer Susie Roberts and City Attorney Bryan Rudisill. Bob Mack absent.

PLEDGE: The *Pledge of Allegiance* was said by all in attendance.

MINUTES APPROVAL: Carol made a motion to approve the minutes of our July 7, 2015 meeting; Ferman seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were approved. Connie made a motion to approve the minutes of our special meeting held on July 14, 2015; Ferman seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

MUSEUM REPORT/HISTORIC PRESERVATION: Charlie reported that there is interest in creating a Historic Preservation Conservation committee for Rockport. The committee would create the "boundaries and guidelines" to establish what the city would require for future renovations and repairs to structures located within those designated boundaries. Charlie will work with city attorney, Bryan Rudisill, to come up with a proposed ordinance to present it to the council for their review.

JOY ZOOK/ANIMAL CONTROL: Joy Zook, with the Spencer County Animal Control Shelter, came before the council requesting funding for the 2016 budget. She is requesting \$4,620 for 2016. Ferman made a motion to donate \$4,620 to the Spencer County Animal Control Shelter for 2016; Carol seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB: We were asked to make a donation to the Cliff Hagan Boys and Girls Club again this year. Ferman made a motion to donate \$2,500 to the Boys and Girls club; Connie seconded the motion. Connie and Ferman voted in favor, Chris voted against and Carol abstained. This will be tabled until the next meeting when we have a majority of a quorum.

MOTION TO DRAFT ORDINANCE FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION ACCORDING TO INDIANA CODE 36-7-11: (Discussed under museum report above).

ROAD DEDICATION/PROCLAIMATION AT RIVER ROAD AUG 22, 10 AM: There will be a road dedication on August 22nd at 10:00 am in memory of Luke Boultinghouse.

OLD BUSINESS: The mayor contacted Donnie Winkler and he is still interested in purchasing the property next to him. City attorney, Bryan Rudisill, stated that we will need to advertise that this will be considered at a public hearing at the next meeting. We will need to state that the purchaser will have to pay all costs associated with the transfer.

The **water meter upgrade** was tabled from the previous meeting to allow Bryan Rudisill to do some research. He stated that we need to get a specification list so we can solicit bids. It was suggested that we have Andrea get with Don Woolen and create a list of specifications.

Paving - we received one quote today. Still waiting on other quotes to come in.

Reminder-budget meeting will be held on August 6th at 5:00 pm.

Bryan Rudisill was successful in contacting the Densdorff family trust regarding the purchase of 8.56 acres adjacent to the cemetery. They are receptive to the idea of selling this property and indicated they thought the property would be worth approx. \$10,000 per acre. This was tabled until the leaves fall from the trees so we can have a better look at the property.

NEW BUSINESS: None

SIGN CLAIMS: Claims were signed.

ADJOURNMENT: Carol made a motion to adjourn; Ferman seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was approved.